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At Sage Chapel On Easter Sunday Organ Dedicated

Dean Vaughan Dabney of Andover-Newton Theological seminary will be the Easter Sunday morning speaker at Sage chapel. The service will begin at eleven o'clock. At 4:30 in the afternoon, the dedication of the new organ and of the remodeled chapel will take place. The regular five o'clock vesper service will be omitted. Admission to the dedication service is by ticket only, and tickets may be secured from Miss Louise Kingsbury, Registrar, Kenard hall.

The new organ is a gift to the seminary from Mrs. Wilfred W. Fry of Camden, N. J. and is presented in memory of her husband, Wilfred W. Fry, who until his death in July, 1936 was president of the Northfield Schools' Board of Trustees. Mrs. Fry and members of her family will attend the dedication service as will Miss Harriet A. Broad of Brookline, Miss Luey S. Curtis of Bridgeport, Conn., Edwin M. Bulkley of New York City, John L. Grandin of Boston, Edwin S. L. Sunderland and Arthur H. Gilbert of New York City, trustees of the Northfield Schools.

On Saturday evening at eight o'clock, Dr. Carl Weinrich of the Westminster Choir school, of Princeton, N. J., will play a program of special music on the new organ. Cards of admission are required.

Four Local Firemen In Training Class

The Northfield fire department is to have an efficient fire fighting force. Chief Willis K. Parker, assistant chief Charles L. Johnson, James Dale and Edward C. Bolton are taking a course of 12 classes under the supervision of the division of vocational education of the State Department of Education. Half of the classes will be held indoors and half outside where all the problems of fire-fighting may be met and considered. There are twelve firemen from four of the county towns attending. The class meets Friday evening and each man will receive a diploma for his study and effort.

Weather Was Tough

Last weekend brought us some tough weather, rain, hail and snow. The ground was covered, ice formed and the thermometer dropped to twenty. We haven't experienced anything like it for years. The vegetation which started was blighted and buds were frozen. The snow covering the ground made it difficult for the birds and animals to get food, especially those of the feathered tribe who had come north in the spell of pleasant days. Many families cleared ground spaces and gave out much food to the birds. Homes had to be heated for warmth and it seemed as if winter had again returned. Driving by auto wasn't pleasant and at times hazardous. By Monday of this week the thermometer rose and pleasant weather is gaining. Lawn and garden work will face us with an urgent rush.

At The West School

Twenty-three of the forty-one pupils of the West Northfield school had perfect attendance for the past month. They are as follows: Grade 1, Leland Black, Franklin Berry, Phyllis Conway, Candace Rogers, Mary Wozniak. Grade 2, Ruth Holton, Donna LaPlante; Grade 3, Lois Gibson, Stanley Wozniak; Grade 4, Margaret Barnes, Herbert LaPlante; Grade 5, Neil Churchill; Grade 6, Evelyn Bassett, Virginia Bolton, Nellie Branson, Clinton Horton, Leslie Gibson; Grade 7, Esther Branson, Althea Churchill, Warren Randall, Herbert Wing, Gilbert Stacy, Esther Sestowicki and the percent of attendance was 95.

Card of Thanks

We are deeply grateful to all our dear friends and neighbors for the helpful words of comfort to us during the trying ordeal through which we are now passing by the sudden death of our beloved husband and father, for the beautiful flowers and the many letters of sympathy, the beautiful service rendered by our pastor—to those who sang and to our choir director for the lovely music.

Mrs. Harry A. James
Beryl A. James
Winthrop H. James

Dr. David R. Porter Heads County Unit Of Foreign Policy

Dr. David R. Porter, Headmaster of Mount Hermon school was chosen President of the Franklin county affiliate of the Foreign Policy association which was organized last week-end in Greenfield and which held its first meeting last Saturday evening at the Mansion House.



Dr. David R. Porter

Speakers at the first meeting were Dr. Jose Castillejo, a Spanish law professor, and Dr. D. E. Trueblood, Quaker chaplain at Leland Stanford university.

Others elected were: Secretary Mrs. Charles N. Stoddard, Jr., of Greenfield; treasurer, Paul W. Bittner of Greenfield; executive committee, John Boyden and Mrs. W. Scott Keith of Deerfield, Miss Mira B. Wilson of Northfield, Rev. W. Hubert Porter of Shelburne Falls, Miss Eleanor Barber of Bernardston, Mrs. Olaf Hoff, Jr., of Turners Falls, Roy French of Orange, and Mrs. Ira Wheeler, Dr. Maud Gorham, Paul S. Walcott, and Rev. Victor F. Sealise of Greenfield.

Morgan Memorial Closes Some Shops

One of the hardest jobs Morgan Memorial has to do is closing some of its Goodwill Work-shops, thus throwing many worthy and needy people out of work. Just now, because supplies are running low, this well-known organization has had to curtail its activity and let many deserving people go. The plan is to give some work rather than none at all, and so in desperate cases of need three or four days' work a week are provided. Last year, Morgan Memorial paid out \$528,394.33 in wages and relief made possible for the most part thru the donations of household goods, cast-off clothing and furniture. It is hoped that the 200,000 Morgan Memorial contributors will do their best now at spring cleaning time to fill their Goodwill bags with the very best grade of materials possible, so that so again the usual number of 400 people can be employed full-time at Morgan Memorial.

W. C. T. U. Items

Mrs. Alice Ropes, president of the State Woman's Christian Temperance Union will speak at the Congregational church Sunday evening, April 24 on temperance affairs and not next Sunday evening as previously announced.

The State Bazaar of the W. C. T. U. will be held in Boston at Tremont Temple on Thursday, the 21st. The local organization has contributed a quilt to be sold and Mrs. E. M. Morgan the county chairman will attend.

A crate and a half of eggs were collected and sent to the Boston Flower Mission on Tuesday from Northfield and Bernardston Friends of the W. C. T. U.

A state institute will be held in Greenfield at the Methodist church on Monday, April 25. Luncheon will be served. W. C. T. U. members are urged to attend.

INTERESTING ITEMS

English language newspapers throughout the country have been invited to send their copy of March 4 to the 8th annual exhibition of newspapers at the N. W. Ayer & Son's advertising agency in Philadelphia. They will be carefully appraised and given awards for excellence in appearance, make-up and press work. The Northfield Press will be among the number submitted.

County Brotherhoods Will Hear Dr. Gilkey At St. James Church

The Church Brotherhoods of Franklin county will hold their united session on Monday evening, April 25, at 6:30 at the parish house of St. James Episcopal church in Greenfield and the guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. James Gordon Gilkey, pastor of the South Congregational church of Springfield. Indications are that the meeting will be largely attended and reservations are necessary in order to assure a place at the tables for dinner. Applications for tickets should be made direct to Merritt C. Skilton, president of the Federation as soon as possible. All men connected with any church are most cordially invited to attend.

Athletic Association Supper and Minstrels

Next Tuesday evening in the town hall the Northfield Athletic association will hold a public supper at 6:30 o'clock, served by a committee of women of the town, and afterward an entertainment will be given upstairs. It will be a minstrel show put on by forty members of the Bernardston band a repeat of the successful performance held in that town recently. A large crowd is expected to attend and tickets have already been sold in large numbers.

New Postage Stamps

The last of this month will witness the appearance of the first U. S. postage stamp in the new series to be issued by the Post Office department. The new 1-cent stamp will be issued in Washington about the 25th and will bear the likeness of the first president, printed in green ink with a flat background and no border. The Martha Washington, one and one-half cent stamp will appear about May 5th, the Franklin half-cent stamp about May 15 and the John Adams 2-cent stamp about June 3. The new 6-cent air mail stamp will appear during air mail week. Other denominations will follow along in order.

Postmasters Meet

Postmasters Skilton, Quinlan, Streeter, and Amsden attended a meeting of the Western Massachusetts Postmasters' association at Northampton, on Tuesday of this week. There were 130 present from the four western counties and twenty-two from Franklin county. Plans were made for the carrying of the mail during National Air Mail Week, May 15-21. Air mail will be carried from 35 airports in Massachusetts on Thursday, May 19 and will cover all of the different parts of the state. It is expected that mail will be flown from Turners Falls airport for Northfield. More details will be available about this trip.

Sugaring Time

When the days are getting longer than the nights of winter-time and we feel the weather changing to the vernal balmy clime, When we hear the early sparrow sing his cheerful morning lay And the snowdrifts all are settling in the sunshine of the day;

When the temperature is freezing during all the hours dark And in daylight warm and sunny thaws the trees out 'neath the bark And the sap within the maples now begins to circulate In Vermont then comes the season that we all anticipate.

Then the farmers and their helpers all their sugar orchards tap Drive the spouts and hang the buckets so they'll catch the flowing sap Which they boil to syrup luscious, nature's pure most wholesome sweet Prized by all Green Mountain stagers as the year's most welcome treat.

Every family on a picnic to the sugar place must go Where they feast upon new sugar waxed upon a tub of snow, And they make some cakes delicious from the first and purest run Which they send to city kinsfolk in their exile from this fun.

—A. M. Watts
Jamaica, Vt., March 29.
from Brattleboro Reformer

County Societies Christian Endeavor Meet Next Tuesday

The Christian Endeavor societies of Franklin county will hold their county gathering next Tuesday with the Congregational church at Shelburne Falls and a large attendance is expected from all parts of the county.

The program will open at 3:00 p. m. with an address of welcome by Miss Barbara Burdick, vice-president of the Shelburne society. Miss Betty Crafts of Whately, president of the county association will give the response. A devotion period will be conducted by the Christian Endeavor of the Colrain Baptist church. A play will be presented by the Northfield group.

A banquet at 6:00 p. m. will be followed by the business meeting and installation. Mrs. Margaret Eggleston Owen of Hyde Park will speak at 8:00 in Cora Smith hall. She has written many books for young people.

There will be five discussion groups as follows: "Better Socials," by Miss Ruth McIntyre of the Mass. State college extension service; "Better Meetings," by Clarence Parsons, vice-president of the state Christian Endeavor union; "Acquaintance with Christ," by Rev. W. Hubert Porter of the Baptist church; "World Friendship," by Rev. Frederiek Dixon of Heath; and "Better Application of Christian Teachings," by Mrs. Raymond Ward of Conway. There will be an attendance contest and a silver cup awarded the society having the largest number present.

After The Drunks Who Drive Autos

Considerable attention is still being paid to motorists who drive in a drunken condition by the State Police and Inspectors of the Registry department, as part of the intensive drive to eliminate drunken drivers off the roads.

This movement was started at this time in order to keep down the rapidly increasing number of drunken operators of motor vehicles in this state. Last week 89 motorists were convicted in state courts on charges of drunken driving, which was 30 more than on the preceding week. Seven of these had been previously convicted on the same charge within six years. Records of the state registrar of motor vehicles office showed that 96 licenses were revoked last week on drunken driving charges.

While Franklin county contributed but little to last week's drunken driving record, the season had advanced far enough, state officials say, so that traffic will be materially increased over the Mohawk Trail from now on. During past seasons, while all main highways in the county have furnished a number of drunken drivers during the season, by far the larger majority of those who face the local courts have been arrested on the Mohawk Trail or the French King highway and special attention will be given these routes during the summer.

To Give Concert At Shelburne Falls

Melvin L. Gallagher, choral director of the Northfield Schools will direct a combined choir of 65 members of the Estey chorus and Hermon Glee club in a concert to be presented in the Shelburne Falls Congregational church, under the auspices of the Shelburne Falls Woman's club, the afternoon of Sunday, April 24. Accompanists will be Charles F. McCarthy of Greenfield, organist, and Miss Catherine M. Colton of the Northfield music department, as pianist.

Considers Candidacy

John W. Haigis who was the Republican candidate for Governor in 1936 is giving careful consideration to the proposal that he run again for the nomination this year. He is conferring with Mr. Saltonstall in Boston this week, who also aspires to the nomination and after a conference with party chiefs in the state, Mr. Haigis is expected to make a statement regarding the situation to his friends and supporters. Both Haigis and Saltonstall have many friends in Northfield who would like to see the ballot with the same set-up as in 1936. Indications are that it will be a Republican year in Massachusetts.

APRIL SHOWERS



Holy Week Services At The Seminary

Holy Week began at Northfield seminary with Professor Ralph Harlow of Smith college as the Palm Sunday speaker. In the vesper service, a religious drama "The Terrible Meek," by Charles Rann Kennedy, was presented by the Worship department of the seminary church.

A Holy Thursday communion service was observed in Sage chapel last evening at 8:30 with the Rev. Harold B. Ingalls, the school chaplain, officiating.

The regular morning chapel services this week have been led by members of the Northfield seminary faculty. Tuesday morning chapel was conducted by Miss Beulah Scott, Wednesday chapel by Miss E. May Gabel, Thursday chapel by the Rev. Harold B. Ingalls and Friday chapel by Miss Mira B. Wilson.

Youth Hostel Notes

Miss Nancy Jane Reasoner, staff member of the American Youth Hostels, has recently returned from two weeks in Florida where she attended Hotel exhibits at Stetson University in De Land. The Ringing School of Art in Sarasota, and Rollins college in Winter Park. The exhibits proved most interesting and many students who had never heard of the AYH made plans to go Hosteling this summer. Miss Reasoner will attend other Youth Hostel exhibits in the near future; one at Forbes & Wallace in Springfield, during the week of April 18 and another at Rhode Island Women's Exposition in Providence during the week of May 2nd.

Miss Dorothy Allen, head of the Canadian Youth Hostels has been studying Youth Hosteling in Europe and in the United States for the past year. She has recently been visiting Youth Hostels in New England with Bill Nelson, the field worker for this area. She plans to return to Canada soon where she will start Youth Hostels in the eastern provinces.

The American Youth Hostels wishes to announce the publication of the 1938 "Youth Hostel Handbook" about the first of May. The new Handbook will contain information about fifty new Hostels in various parts of this country and Canada.

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Train Strikes Auto Woman Is Killed At The Vernon Green

Mrs. Margery E. Follete, age 21, and wife of Woodrow Follete was almost instantly killed on Thursday afternoon of last week when the panel truck she was driving on a private crossing over the railroad tracks at the Vernon Green, was struck by a southbound Boston & Maine passenger train. As Mrs. Follete had driven through the gate in second gear, her husband closed the same and was near when the accident took place.

Learning to drive it is feared she was seized with panic as she saw the approaching train and failed to speed over the track. A part of the engine struck the rear end of the truck and turned it around, throwing Mrs. Follete against the train and crushing her skull, causing instant death. The steps of the engine were broken off and the truck completely demolished. The train was piloted by F. A. Hathaway of Springfield with Conductor W. P. Spear of Springfield in charge. The fireman was Henry Bailey of White River Jet.

The train was delayed for some time and medical authorities in Brattleboro notified. After responding Selectman C. A. Beers of Vernon gave permission to remove the body and it was taken to Rhodes Funeral parlors at Brattleboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Follete were married less than a year and came from Tilton, N. H., about two months ago to be employed on the premises of Mrs. R. H. Towne, who has conducted a tea room there for several years and recently completed a new residence for herself and family.

Mrs. Follete was born July 10, 1916 at Hamilton, Mass. Authorities say that if the truck had moved only six inches farther, the engine would not have hit it and the collision would have been avoided. The train was brought to a stop a short distance south of the crossing as the engineer had seen the impending disaster and had applied the brakes.

Move Large Trees To Seminary Campus

Two elm trees, each between ten and fifteen years old, are being transplanted from the Pentecost place behind the Missionary cottages to the lawn of Merrill-Keep hall on the Seminary campus. One of them will stand at the southwest corner of the new dormitory and the other on the northwest corner. One tree about 12 inches in diameter and 40 feet high has already been moved by the Seminary workmen, under the direction of George Carr, and the other will be transplanted next week.

For Recreation

The committee on indoor recreation is now ready to report that four sets of shuffle-boards are now installed in the lower room of the town hall, and are available for our people to use.

Indoor tennis may be played on the regular tables providing someone will bring along the equipment needed.

The opening night will be next Wednesday, April 20 from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m. Come and enjoy an evening of fun. Those who contributed time, labor and material for the shuffle-boards are as follows:

George N. Kidder, Clayton Glazier, Miles Morgan, Harold Bigelow, Northfield Seminary and Frank Evans.

The recreation committee consists of Leon Dunnell, Harry Gingras, Lawrence Quinlan, Henry Johnson, Richard Cobb, and Lewis Wood.

Air Mail Week Essay Contest Announced

An essay contest during Air Mail week is announced for students of high schools and Supt. L. W. Robbins and Principal Richard A. Cobb will have charge of the local invitation as members of the Education committee. The subject will be "Wings Across America," and should deal with the ideas, purposes and advantages of air transportation as it affects modern communication. State and national prizes will be awarded and the winner of first prize in each state will be given an air trip to Washington and return. A trophy is second prize. State essay winners will banquet in Washington on May 15.

Essays submitted in the contest must not exceed 250 words and will be judged on originality of ideas, spelling, punctuation and neatness. These essays must be submitted not later than May 1 at midnight. Students must be certified to enter by the Superintendent and Principal of the school. It is hoped that there will be some participants in Northfield.

Had Bad Accident

Last Thursday morning Harold Williams, age 16, of Northfield Farms, went out to the barn to feed the cow. He threw some hay out of the loft and the pitch fork slid down to the ground as he had finished. He then slid down the hay but the fork which had preceded him lay with tines up and he struck them, one of the tines penetrating his abdomen. Calling for help his sister responded and pulled out the tines and rushed the young man to Dr. Wright's office who had him removed at once to Farren hospital for treatment. He is reported as gradually improving.

"King of Kings"

"The King of Kings" a motion picture presenting the story of the life, death and resurrection of Christ which was given in East Northfield at the Congregational church a short time ago will be repeated on Easter Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist Episcopal church, Greenfield. There will be no charge for admission. A silver offering will be received and all who are interested are cordially invited.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Durgin with their daughter Helen and son Russell will be leaving Japan about May 1, going by the way of Siberia to Sweden where they will attend the Plenary session of the World's committee of the Y. M. C. A. at Stockholm. Then having four weeks in Europe before going to Rome, Italy for another conference, expecting to arrive in the states the last of July or the first of August.

Larry Durgin returned to Dartmouth last Monday. He spent his vacation with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lazelle.

Mrs. Bessie E. Symonds is having her house on Highland Ave., repainted. Her brother, James Sprague of Greenfield, N. H. is doing the work.

Mrs. Bessie Symonds is expected home from Orlando, Fla., where she has been spending the winter, on Friday of this week.

Mrs. Robert H. Wilder has returned from a most enjoyable trip to Mexico and a stay at New Orleans. She can give a most interesting account of her experience.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jordan on Monday at the Franklin county hospital. Mr. Jordan is the Chevrolet agent on the Hinsdale road and resides at West Northfield.

Mrs. C. P. Buffum who has spent the winter in Florida is leaving Orlando for home this week and expects to reach Northfield before Sunday.

Calvin Field is at the home of his parents, enjoying his spring vacation from Cushing academy.

Miss Mira B. Wilson, principal of Northfield seminary, was the speaker at a Holy Week service for women in the Larchmont Presbyterian church, Larchmont, N. Y., last Tuesday. The Rev. Robert Russell, well known in Northfield, is pastor of the church.

Mrs. G. M. Ball is expected to arrive in town soon for the summer and will open her home on Mahwah road.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Burgess spent last week-end as guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barrows on Birnam road.

Joseph Servaes of Melrose was the guest of his sister Miss Sophie Servaes on Monday of this week.

Joseph F. Blittinger has returned to his home here after spending the winter at Ocala, Fla.

Monroe Smith, director of the Youth Hostel, addressed the Rotary club of Springfield at their luncheon last week on the purpose of the movement.

Rev. Lester P. White, minister of Mt. Hermon church was the preacher in the Second Congregational church, Greenfield on Good Friday at the special services.

Miss Eunice Stearns, teacher at the Farms school will spend the vacation period with her parents at their home in Winchester, N. H.

Mrs. Grace C. Cornell who has spent the winter season in Florida left St. Petersburg Tuesday and will visit friends enroute.

after 7 pm.
Sundays all day
DOWN GO RATES

TELEPHONE

Home. She expects to open her home on the Winchester road the last of the month.

Mrs. C. C. Stockbridge of Highland avenue is returning from Dade City, Fla., and will visit her daughter in Springfield for a short time before reaching her home here.

Mrs. William R. Moody has returned from a stay at Clifton Springs and is now at the Homestead. Her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Packard and her two children from Rye, N. Y. spent the week-end with her.

Rev. and Mrs. W. Stanley Carne were called to his former parish at Gorham, Me., Wednesday, owing to the death of an intimate friend, Mr. Waterman.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Smith and family and John Howard were Sunday guests of Mr. N. Fay Smith at her home on Birnam road.

CHURCH SERVICES

Trinitarian Church

Rev. W. Stanley Carne

Sunday school at 10; at 11, an Easter service when the choir will sing Easter anthem. The sermon subject "The Resurrection of Jesus Christ." Sunday school at the Farms at 2:30, followed by worship service. At 7, meeting of Senior Endeavor; 8, the choir will present an Easter program of music, built around the Cantata "The Risen King."

Tuesday at 3, Bible class with Mrs. Colton. Leader, Mrs. Giebel. At 6:30 Monthly meeting of the Brotherhood, following the supper, Mr. W. G. Avirill of Deerfield academy will speak.

Wednesday, Bible conference at Miller Falls.

Thursday at 7:30, weekly prayer service followed by choir rehearsal.

April 19, C. E. convention at Shelburne Falls.

South Church

Rev. Mary Andrews Connor

Sunday, 10:45, the Church school will meet at the church worship period for a union Easter service. This will be in the nature of a reconsecration service.

Honor Campaign Of Congregationalists To Create Fund

A campaign to raise \$1,517,000 in order to "keep faith" with their veteran Christian pastors and widows of pastors, has just been launched by the Congregational and Christian churches of the United States and will run in this region until May 30. The quota of the Honor Campaign for northern New England is \$555,000 and the Massachusetts quota is \$400,000.

Local committees of business and professional men in all the New England states are at work in every community where there are Congregational and Christian churches. Rev. Leon E. Grubaugh of Adams, has been given six months' leave of absence from the First Congregational church of that city to act as director of the northern New England region with headquarters at 14 Beacon street, Boston.

Rev. W. Stanley Carne of the local Congregational church is a member of the Greenfield area committee of which Raymond Andrews of Greenfield is the chairman.

Over a million and a half dollars is being raised to complete the amount necessary for an annuity to some 1400 older Ministers or their widows, explained Director Grubaugh. "The maximum of this annuity is only \$500 to a minister who has served the church thirty or more years, \$300 to his widow, and less for a shorter term of service. Of the funds needed 73 per cent are in hand from income from payments made by the ministers themselves and from a fund raised by the church some years ago, known as the 'Pilgrim Memorial Fund.' These sources have provided more than expected.

"The remainder has been paid to date out of the missionary funds, but this plan cannot longer be continued because of the great decrease in missionary giving in recent years."

The chairman of the Massachusetts state committee is Dr. Robert W. Coe, Brookline, pastor of the Leyden Congregational church. National headquarters at 287 Fourth avenue, New York is under the chairmanship of Dr. Charles R. Brown, Dean Emeritus of Yale Divinity school. The Honorary chairman is Roger W. Babson.



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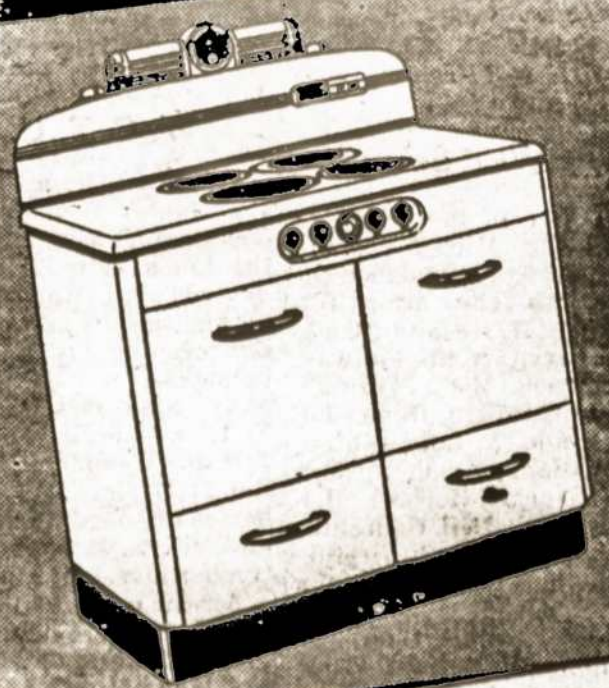
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THE OLD GARDENER SAYS

If you want an early bloom To cheer up a gloomy room Cut some sprigs of golden bell. Place in vases, water well; When the bloom has passed away Plant these sprigs, some sunny day. In a garden spot nearby— Then watch the danged things wilt and die.

HAVE YOU BEEN?

Have you walked the sunny ridges That lean southward, sloping down. Have you searched along the woodlands In last autumn's rug of brown? Have you roamed the open pastures, Warm beneath the morning sun, For the fragrance and the beauty That arbutus bears for one? Have you found her, pinkly budded, In the mosses near a spring. Shyly hiding in the shadows Where the mountain streamlets sing? If you have then you will join me When I say the day, will be, That I found the first arbutus. Always a green memory.

LOOKING SUMMERWARD

Cosmos forests, delicate, Are the fairies' home Where they sleep thru daylight hours When they cease to roam. From their depths of lacy green You can see the fairies go To their twilight revels As the day burns low; And when dawning tops the hills To their sheltered spots, Tired little fairies come Bringing blue for-get-me-nots.

APRIL FOR FRANKIE

Pussy-willows long have gone, But to take their place, Catkins toss their fluffy down Into April's face. Hepaticas, in white and blue, Blossom in a sheltered nook; Violets and trilliums Waken by the brook. April brings all these for you— But a mackintosh You had better carry For I know this gal, by gosh!

NAUGHTY! NAUGHTY!

Bird bath frozen over, Orier see the fun, Ice was pretty thick As the day begun. Saucy little sparrow Came to get a drink, Slipped and bumped his sitter On this skatin' rink. Mad at my loud laughter— Whadda you suppose? Up he flew into a tree— Turned, and thumbed his nose.

There will be a brief pause for station identification.

From the "Locals" in the Northfield Press, April 1, 1938: Some gossip has been prevalent upon our streets during the past week, much of which is grossly exaggerated. Better be careful, friends, what you say or pass along to your neighbors.

A PURITAN OUTPOST

An olden village is a quiet spot, In fact, a sleepy sort of place, The townsfolk are so very pleasant, When they greet you face to face. They speak of weather and of crops

With many a joking crack, And then pass by to scoop up mud To fling it at your back.

They say, "too bad about the fire That burnt Brown's place last night;

But, gosh, from his insurance, I guess he's fixed all right." They don't know there's a war in Spain.

But what their neighbor does Comes whizzing from their busy tongues

With an unceasing buzz. They always know what Sam Jones did,

Whom Nellie met last night, If Susie Blank was out with Pete, And if Bill Squirt was tight.

Now if some chap collected this I think that it would be An interesting book to read— A back-yard history.

But then, perhaps, it wouldn't do "Good folks" would turn it down But read it in their bedrooms Before they left the town.

—John Phelps

Mistress: How beautifully these things are ironed, Jane.

Maid: Yes, mum, them's mine and I'll do yours the same if I have time.

Woman in crowded street car to her friend: "I wish that good looking man would give me his seat."

Five men stood up.

LOCALS

The annual naturalization court for Franklin county will be held in Greenfield July 18 at the time of the session of the Superior court. Examiners are now holding interviews with applicants.

The Northfield bowling team is now tied for third place in the county league with South Deerfield. The close of the season's games is near at hand and it is apparent that the Hotelmen will carry off the honors.

The annual meeting of the Franklin county chapter of the Red Cross has been called to meet on Wednesday, April 20 at 11 o'clock in the morning in the directors' room of the Franklin County Trust Co. There will be the election of officers besides other business.

The Brotherhood of the Congregational church will hold its next regular meeting and supper Tuesday evening, April 19th at 6:30 at the church vestry. Wm. G. Avirett of Deerfield academy will be the speaker.

The Atkinson property on Glenwood avenue has been withdrawn from sale for the present according to instructions from the administrator of the estate.

Mrs. Harry A. James and family have rented the apartment in the Reed home on Main street and will occupy soon for their home.

A son was born April 2nd to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Holloway of Ashuelot, formerly of Northfield. The child is a grandson of Edward L. Morse.

Services at St. James Episcopal church, Greenfield, Easter Sunday are 7:30, Holy Communion; 11:00, Holy Communion and sermon; 4:00, children's service. The Rev. Canon Arthur Chase will assist the Rector, Rev. John B. Whiteman in the services.

May first is to be called "Child Health Day" by proclamation of the President. He says that child health work should be made more effective.

The meeting of the Eastern States Band association will be held at Turners Falls on Sunday, May 22 and a concert by the combined nine bands who will attend will be given at three o'clock. The public is invited to hear the concert.

Dr. Richard M. Cameron of the school of theology at Boston university will be the speaker at Mount Hermon chapel at both services Easter Sunday.

Mrs. M. D. Birdsall will entertain the Women's Missionary society of Mount Hermon at her home on the Seminary campus next Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

In Probate court recently, administration was granted on the estate of the late Thomas Quinlan to James R. Turner of Greenfield. On the estate of the late Elizabeth D. Parker to Florence P. Solandt. Inventory was also filed on the estate of the late Irene R. Osgood of Northfield. Administration was granted on the estate of the late Ellen J. Campbell to Elizabeth Campbell.

The final meeting of the year for the Fortnightly club will be held at Alexander hall, Friday, April 22 at 3:00 o'clock. It will be the annual meeting with election of officers and the appointment of committees. Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed will be the hostess for the session.

The Franklin County Agricultural society held a meeting last week Friday evening at the Mansion House in Greenfield to arrange for the County Fair this fall.

Harmony Lodge of Masons held its regular monthly meeting at Masonic hall Wednesday evening and administered degrees. The 12th lodge of instruction will meet with the lodge Tuesday, April 26 at 7:30 p. m. At the exemplification of work of the 14th district to be held at Greenfield Saturday, April 16, Harmony lodge will participate in the ritual of the second degree.

The Northfield Grange at its session Tuesday evening worked the first and second degrees upon several candidates. An entertainment and social period followed the meeting. Mrs. William White, Miss Ethel Miller and Mrs. Leroy Barnes were the committee in charge of refreshments.

The public schools of the town will close for the spring vacation of one week this Friday.

There are quite a number of cases of mumps in town, especially in West Northfield and Miss Grace Randall is one of the recent ones to suffer with it.



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LOCALS

The bowling team suffered a defeat Wednesday evening and they now trail in the league. Too bad, boys, too bad.

Next Tuesday, April 19, is Patriots' Day in Massachusetts, but the stores will remain open for business in most of the towns and cities.

The Northfield CCC camp 1153 off the Northfield-Warwick road has now an enlistment of 220 boys, a contingent from the Boston Army base having been added. It is expected that the enrollment will reach 240 soon. The entire company is now engaged in a reforestation project.

Dr. and Mrs. Allen Wright have rented the Spring Gardens missionary cottage being vacated by Prof. and Mrs. Melvin L. Gallagher, where they will live until their new home is completed.

Students of the Northfield High School have issued a very creditable bulletin of their journalistic endeavors by the mimeograph. Perhaps some day they may be able to make an advance with the printed page.

There will be a public card party at the Grange hall Wednesday, April 20 at 8 o'clock.

A new store will be opened in the Proctor Block by Fred G. Avery who with his wife have come from Manchester, N. H. to take an apartment over the IGA store. They will conduct a specialty shop with goods for men and women, notions, etc.

The clock in the South church tower has stopped and had received no attention for three days, much to the inconvenience of those who depend on it for time. Someone had better get on the job and attend to this necessity.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

There is a law of prosperity: An thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah and wrought that which was good and right and truth before the Lord his God. An in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he did it with all his heart, and prospered.—2 Chronicles 31:20, 21.

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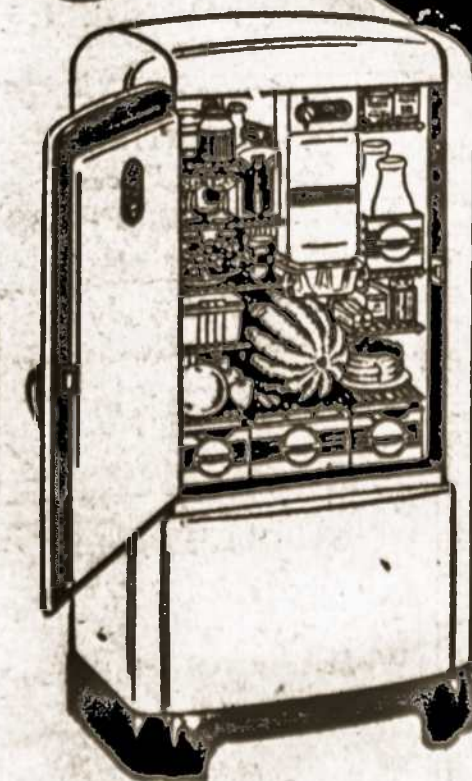
The April "Phooled" issue of the Hermonite is off the press and a "crazy quilt" of journalism it surely is. The editors have accomplished what they set out to do and the school periodical friends. A picture portrays the Headmaster greeting "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" on a mythical visit to Hermon.

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Friday, April 15, 1938

EDITORIAL

Already indications point to an active community of interest this summer in Northfield. We may again witness the coming of five times our population to attend the various summer conferences or for a prolonged vacation stay. Some summer cottages have already been taken for the summer season and many owners have arranged to open their homes earlier than usual. The management committees of the many scheduled gatherings have completed arrangements and the publicity department of the Northfield Schools have sent out two editions of the bulletins running into many thousands, probably 60,000. A bulletin is now in the mails. The hotels and inns are making reservations for the season and many inquiries are coming through the mail. Building activity will take a forward step in the erection of new homes now under consideration and rentals are active. The advantage of buying a home under present low prevailing prices is also having a stimulating effect. Employment should find its way to a new peak and the man who wants work ought to be able to find something to do. We are very optimistic over the summer in Northfield.

The sinking and destruction of the U. S. S. Panay in Chinese waters by the Japanese is still fresh in our minds. We must admit that our wrath warmed up a bit but cooled in the fact that Japan agreed to full indemnity. Now it appears that we were not told the whole story. When the incident occurred in December, 1937, there was little or no mention by the American Government of the fact that the PANAY was acting as a convoy for the tankers of an American Oil company. All of the emphasis in the American press was placed on the fact that the PANAY was evacuating our nations from the war zone. The frank admission of the indemnity note shows the truth of the situation. The United States gunboat was conveying war supplies in a war zone where there is a normal expectancy of attack because of the cargo being conveyed. This information of the PANAY affair should be a warning to American citizens to examine any charges of infringement on American rights in war zones. As the facts now show, it is a clear case of risking American lives to protect the property interests of corporations and individuals, who take the risk of a "selling for profit" in war activities. Better by far we remain out of foreign affairs when war prevails.

The Back Yard Gardener

It's funny why roses and romance are always associated together except on special occasions. Then it is lilies for Easter, poinsettias for Christmas, and so on. But anyway who ever started the idea certainly knew what he was doing.

There's an old saying that April showers bring May flowers and that holds pretty true of roses, because April is a mighty good time to plant new ones and to check over the old ones.

In planting I've always contended that a one-dollar plant needs a two-dollar hole. And it's certainly true of roses. First off you've got to have plenty of drainage. Even put in gravel or cinders if the soil is very heavy and the drainage poor. Then put about 18 inches of good soil over this with plenty of humus, bone meal, or barnyard manure in the bottom with loam on top. And be sure that this loam is pretty firm; in other words, isn't too loose.

Now nine out of ten rose plants, as they come from the nursery, are not properly pruned for planting. The best thing to do is to cut the roots back to a length of 6 or 8 inches from the main stem. And if you were to dig up later in the season you would find at the end of each new root some new feeding roots and that's what the plant needs.

Likewise the top should be pruned back pretty severely. Hybrid tea roses, for example, should be cut back so the stems are 3 or 4 inches long. The climbers can be a little bit longer.

JUST INNOCENT FUN



er and of course it's mighty important that you make all cuts nice and clean, preferably about one-fourth of an inch above a bud.

In planting be sure that the soil is tramped in good and solid around the roots and, after you have given it a good watering and the water has drained away, hill up the plant with loose soil to, oh, 6 or 8 inches and leave it this way for 10 days or 2 weeks.

As I said, April is a mighty good time to check over your old rose plants. Be sure that they haven't been lifted by frost action. If they have been heaved up too far, it's a good thing to reset

them to the proper depth. And this proper depth, as you probably know, is to have the knuckle or point where the branches originate about an inch or two below the ground surface.

As to pruning, that depends on what you want in the way of flowers. Plants pruned high usually give more but small flowers on shorter stems, while the low pruned bushes usually give large flowers on long stems.

It's a good thing to go over your rose bushes as soon as the buds start and you can tell which canes are alive and vigorous. Cut out all spindling and old or dead wood, cutting it back to live wood.

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last year should have the flower-
ing shoots cut back to within
two or three buds of the main
stem.

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all types of pests. Give 'em the
spray or dust gun just as soon as
possible. On general principles
I'd spray both ground and plants
with Bordeaux or lime sulphur
before the buds begin to show
green.

Well, whether you are looking
for romance or not, roses are
mighty fine plants to have in the
home garden.

Know Massachusetts Compiled by State Planning Board

Do you know that . . . It was
a Marblehead regiment of sea-
faring men under General Glover
that made it possible for
Washington to cross the Dela-
ware . . . Although Roger Wil-
liams was banished from Mass-
achusetts in 1635 because he
"broached and divulged dyers
new and dangerous opinions,
against the authorities of mag-
istrates," it was over 300 years
before he was officially pardon-
ed and his name stricken from
the records. . . . The first ex-
port of Massachusetts was a car-
go of fish. . . . For several years
the Massachusetts General Court
met in taverns and churches
around Boston. . . . The first post-
master in America, Richard Fair-
banks, was located in the old
Blue Anchor Tavern, where the
Boston Globe building now
stands. . . . Until 1664 only
church members were allowed
to vote. . . . During the witch-
craft scare of 1692 the Massa-
chusetts General Court convicted
and hanged no less than 19
persons. . . . In 1651 the "wearing
of ribbons, great boots and other
costly apparel" was officially
disapproved. . . . For 22 years,
Christmas was banned in the
Colony. . . . In spite of supposed
religious freedom in the Colony,
both Anabaptists and Quakers
were subject to banishment. . . .
In 1787 a member of the House
who participated in civil dis-
turbances was forced to sit on
the gallows with a rope around
his neck.

Do you know that . . . the fa-
mous Graham crackers and
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ston. . . . America's first savings
bank was chartered in Boston,
1816. . . . The two famous New
England dishes, Johnny-cake and
succotash, were the inventions of
Massachusetts Indians. . . . It was
not until 1890 that cows were
excluded from Boston common.
In the etiquette of Old Boston the
proper table formula was "Is the
butter within the sphere of your
influence?" . . . On the day of
Lafayette's departure from Boston
after his visit of 1825 a dinner
was given him on the Common,
at which 1200 people sat at a
single table. . . . Chelsea has the
smallest area of any city in the
state, 18 square miles. . . . A sur-
vey of sources of pollution on
Ten-Mile river has just been pub-
lished, a WPA State Planning
project, sponsored by the depart-
ment of Public Health. . . . Mass-
achusetts people have more than
four and one-half billion dollars
of life insurance. . . . Industrial
employment in the state is about
18 per cent less than a year ago.

SOUTH VERNON

At the South Vernon church,
Rev. George A. Gray pastor, an
Easter concert will be given at
10:45 a. m. followed by a bap-
tism, church school at 12:15,
song service with Easter mes-
sages at 7:00 p. m. Mid-week
meeting at Vernon Home Thurs-
day evening at 7, Ernest Dunk-
lee, leader. All invited to the ap-
pointment.

There will be a card party at
the South school next Tuesday
evening.
Miss Olivia Edson of New
York City spent the week-end
with her mother who observed a
birthday Tuesday. Mrs. Edson re-
ceived many gifts from friends.
— Mrs. Nellie Stockwell of the
Vernon Home is spending the
week with her daughter in Con-
cord, N. H.

Rev. and Mrs. George A. Gray,
and daughter, Nina, visited Rev.
and Mrs. Tibbets at Auburn,
Maine this week.

An entertainment will be given
at the Vernon Home, next Mon-
day evening at 7:30. Proceeds
will be for the missionary work.
Refreshments will be on sale.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Underwood
of Gloucester with their family
spent the week-end at their home
here.

A son was born to Mr. and
Mrs. Lester Carey of this town on
last Friday evening. The boy
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